ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Revenue Department – Allegation of Corruption against Sri Saragandla Ramesh, Mandal Revenue Inspector, office of the Tahsildar, Ambajipeta Mandal East Godavari district – Trapped on 03-07-2007 – Sanction of Prosecution – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE VIGILANCE (VII) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. Dated: 04.2008

ORDER:

Whereas, Sri Saragandla Ramesh worked as Mandal Revenue Inspector, Office of the Tahsildar Ambajipeta Mandal East Godavari district from 13-9-2006 to 3-07-2007 and by virtue of the post held by him. He falls under the category of public servant as defined under section 2 (c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988).

And whereas Smt Korunkonda Rudrakshi mother of Sri Korukonda John, S/o late Mutyalu, Ambativaripalem, P. Gannavaram Mandal East Godavari District has 0-30 cents of agricultural land at K.Pedapudi village of Am,bajipeta Mandal East Godavari District which was gifted by her father, Sri Kattula Pedaravulu during 1997 and registered as gift deed but the passbooks were not transferred in her name in this regard the mother of Sri K. John submitted an application on 14-3-2007 to the Mandal Revenue Officer, Ambajipeta for issuing of Pattadar Passbooks. The Mandal Revenue Officer endorsed the same to

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the Revenue Inspector. Latter Sri K. John met the Revenue On 7-Inspector Sri S. Ramesh twice, but he did not respond. 5-2007 Sri K. John along with his mother went to Collector's office Kakinada and submitted an application at Grievance Cell. The Joint Collector perused the application and endorsed to the Mandal Revenue Officer and handed over to Smt K. Rudrakshi. to submit the same at Tahsildar Office. On 08-05-2007 Sri K. John went to the Taksildar Officer, Ambejipet and handed over the same to Revenue Inspector Sri S. Ramesh, as the Tahsildar was not available at office. The Revenue Inspector Sri S. Ramesh received the same and stated that he would enquire the matter. Later the Revenue Inspector Sri S. Ramesh enquired the matter. Sri K John met the Revenue Inspector sri S. Ramesh several times for issuing of Pattadar Pass Books lastly on 01-07-2007(Sunday) Sri K. John met Sri S. Ramesh. Revenue Inspector at his office, then he demanded Rs.1,000/- as bribe to prepare and taking signatures of Tahsildar. Sri K. John expressed his inability to give such an amount as bribe. On that Sri S Ramesh Revenue Inspector demanded to pay at least Rs. 500/- as bribe. As there was no other go, Sri K John agreed. The Revenue Inspector S. Ramesh asked to pay the demanded bribe with in two days. Sri K. John discussed the matter with his mother and they were unwilling to pay the bribe amount to Revenue Inspector Sri S. Ramesh for issuing Pass Books.

As Sri Korukonda John was unwilling to pay the bribe amount of Rs 500/- to Sri Saragandle Ramesh Mandal Revenue

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Inspector he approached Anti Corruption Bureaue, Kakinada and lodged a complaint to the Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption

Bureau. on 02-07-2007 at 09-30 AM upon which a case was registered in Cr. No. 7/RCT-RJY/2007 Under Section 7 13 (2) read with 13 (1) (d) of Prevention of Corruption Act 1988 against Sri Saragandla Ramesh, Mandal Revenue Inspector on 03-07-2007 at 06-00 A.M. after following all necessary formalities and investigated into.

As whereas on 03-07-2007 at about 10-20 A.M Sri Korukonda John met the Mandal Revenue Inspector Sri Saragandala Ramesh at Tahsildar Office, Ambajipeta Sri Saragandla Ramesh after ascertaining that Korukonda John brought the bribe amount demanded and accepted the bribe amount of Rs. 500/- with his right hand and counted with both the hands and kept the same in his left shirt pocket and handed over the Pattadar Pass book and title deed of the mother of Sri K. John. complainant gave the pre-arranged signal at about 10.30 AM. Both the hands fingers of Sri Saragandla Ramesh when subjected to chemical test yielded positive result. The tainted amount of 500/- was recovered from the front shirt pocket of Sri Saragandla Ramesh. The inner linings of front shirt pocket of Saragandla Ramesh when subjected to Sodium Carbonate solution yielded positive result. The tainted amount of Rs. 500/and relevant files were seized for the purpose of further investigation.

And where as, the above said acts of Sri Saragandla Ramesh, Mandal Revenue Inspector, Office of the Tahsildar, Ambajipeta Mandal East Godavari Districtr constitute offences

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punishable Under Section 7 and 13 (2) read with 13 (1) (d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

And whereas the Government of Andhra Pradesh being the competent authority to remove Sri Saragandla Ramesh, Mandal Revenue Inspector, Office of the Tahsildar Ambajipeta Mandal East Godavari district from service after fully and carefully examining the material placed before them in respect of the allegation and having regard to the circumstances of the case, consider that Saragandla Ramesh should be prosecuted in a court of law for the aforesaid offences.

Now therefore in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) sub-section (1) of section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988), the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby accord sanction for the prosecution of Saragandla Ramesh, Mandal Revenue Inspector Office of the Tahsildar, Ambajipeta Mandal East Godavari District for the said offences punishable Under Section 7 and 13 (2) read with 13 (1) (d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (central Act, 49 of 1988) and for any other cognizable offence punishable under any other provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the afore said acts for taking cognizance of the said offences by the court of competent jurisdiction.

To The Director General. Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.